

FAMILY OF CALVIN LUTHER BUCHANAN

Son of CREIGHTON BUCHANAN and ELIZABETH SMYTHE

CALVIN LUTHER BUCHANAN was born 28 Jan. 1822, Winnsboro, Fairfield Co., SC. He married LAURA L. HAMILTON, born 18 Oct. 1824, on 31 Oct. 1848, Fairfield Co., SC. He died 28 Aug. 1897, Bellvue (now Pirtle), Rusk Co., Texas and was buried in a cemetery there. LAURA BUCHANAN died 12 June 1864.

They had nine children:

1. JOHN CREIGHTON BUCHANAN, born 24 Feb. 1850, Greenwood, LA, died 9 Dec. 1884, Wood County, TX, married on 31 Jan. 1877, Quitman, TX to SARAH ROSALIE (ROSA) PATTEN, born 22 April 1855, died 24 Feb. 1941. He was a lawyer and Texas State Senator.
2. JAMES HAMILTON BUCHANAN, born 18 April 1852, died 8 March 1919, married on 17 Nov. 1889 to LAVINA DREW
3. SAMUEL WINTER BUCHANAN, born 18 March 1854, died 10 January 1855
4. WILLIAM FRANK BUCHANAN, born 18 March 1854, died 21 Jan. 1902, married 15 Feb. 1893 to IDA SCOTT
5. FITZ WALTER BUCHANAN, born 24 Feb. 1856, died 27 Jan. 1879
6. LAURA ELIZABETH BUCHANAN, born 6 March 1858, died 24 July 1895, married 14 Oct. 1879 to FRANK H. ENGLISH
7. MARY AUGUSTA BUCHANAN, born 29 Feb. 1860, died 25 Aug. 1887, married JOHN A. BEAIRD
8. ROBERT EMMET BUCHANAN, born 22 Feb. 1863
9. LULAH BUCHANAN, born 22 Feb. 1863, married 14 Sept. 1890 to JOHN A. BEAIRD

Information provided by ROSALIE BUCHANAN SMITH, Mineola, TX.

See also:

1. 1860 Rusk Co. TX Census, stamped p. 206, dwelling 849, family 867, lines 1-8 (Calvin 38, born SC; Laura 34, born AL; John 10, born LA; James 8, born TX; William 6, born TX; Walter 4, born TX; Elizabeth 2, born TX, Mary 9/12, born TX)
2. 1870 Rusk Co. TX Census, stamped p. 375, dwelling 493, family 507, lines 31-36 (Calvin 48; James 18; Walter 14; Lizzie 12, Mollie 10; Lula 7).

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A. P. BUCHANAN

Dr. Alfred Patten Buchanan, Mineola, Texas, died in his home March 22, 1952, from pancreatic disease after six months' illness.

The grandson of the late Dr. Adolphus L. Patten, the first railroad surgeon in Mineola, Dr. Buchanan was born to former State Senator John Creighton and Rosa (Patten) Buchanan on March 23, 1882. He attended the Mineola public schools, Sam Houston State Normal College, Huntsville, and Southwestern University, Georgetown. His medical education was acquired at the University of Texas School of Medicine, Galveston, and Tulane University of Louisiana School of Medicine, New Orleans. In 1905 he began his



DR. ALFRED P. BUCHANAN

practice in Mineola, where he was active in medicine until six months prior to his death.

Dr. Buchanan was a member of the Texas Medical and American Medical Associations through Wood County Medical Society, of which he was a past president. A member of the American Association of Railway Surgeons and Texas Railway and Traumatic Surgical Association, Dr. Buchanan was local surgeon for the Texas and Pacific Railroad for forty-six years, being of the third generation in his family to hold this position. He was the city health officer. During World War I he held the rank of captain in the United States Army. He also was a medical examiner for the Selective Service System. Dr. Buchanan was a past president of the Mineola Rotary Club and a member of the Alpha Kappa Kappa medical fraternity. He was a Methodist and belonged to the Masonic Lodge and Shrine.

On May 28, 1911, in Dallas, Dr. Buchanan married Miss Ethel Reich, who survives. Others surviving are two daughters, Mrs. L. D. Smith, Mineola, and Mrs. J. Frank Simmon, Longview.

Thursday - August 24, 1972

Mrs. L. D. Smith
120 Turman Street
Mineola, Texas, 75773

Dear Mrs. Smith:

Your letter addressed to Mrs. Gordon Brown, a member of the Rusk County Heritage Association, has been handed to me for reply.

I am happy to tell you that we do have some material in our files on the old town of Bellvue (sometimes spelled Bellview). The Community is now called Pirtle.

We have an original Inventory in the Estate of George Pirtle, Deceased, dated 1850, which describes the town of Bellview, numbers some of the blocks and lots, and names two of the streets: Main Street (which was 100 feet wide) and Salerno Street which was 66 feet wide. It also makes reference to a "Map" of said town, which may or may not be of record in the Dead Records of Rusk County, Texas. If it is, it should be very easy to find.

We also have a History of Post Offices and Communities of Rusk County, by the Hon. Wright Patman, Congressman 1st Congressional District of Texas, which describes Bellview as being 8 miles East of Overton, and established as a Post Office in 1849. George W. Pirtle was of course the first Postmaster, since Bellview was his town. There are 15 Postmasters named. The Office was discontinued in 1887. One Postmaster, a Mr. N. Gensen, was appointed by the Confederate Government in 1861.

I can have copies made for you of these two instruments for \$2.00, if you wish. And I will transcribe the old Inventory since it is in very old handwriting and hard to read. I think you would want a copy of the original, but the transcription will surely help you read it.

Let me know if you want the copies.

Very truly yours,
RUSK COUNTY HERITAGE ASSOCIATION

BY: _____

C
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second generation

Creighton Buchanan m. Mrs. Elizabeth (Smith) Stewart
1760-- December 4, 1823 March 20, 1784-- February 9, 1849

third generation

children of Creighton Buchanan and Elizabeth (Smith) Stewart Buchanan

Elizabeth Catherine Buchanan m. McKinney Elliott
October 6, 1816-- April 9, 1847

Dr. Robert A. Buchanan m. Rebecca Woodward
June 6, 1819-- July 2, 1902 April 20, 1832-- July 21, 1908

Calvin Buchanan m. Laura L. Hamilton
January 28, 1822-- August 28, ~~1869~~¹⁸⁹⁷ October 18, 1824-- June 12, 186
marriage date: October 31, 1848

great-grandfather

Bellvue,
Henderson, Russett Co.
Fairfield County, South Carolina

fourth generation

children of Calvin Buchanan and Laura L. Hamilton Buchanan

my grandfather

John Creighton Buchanan m. Sarah Rosalie (Rosa) Patten
February 24, 1850 -- December 9, 1884 April 22, 1855 - February 24, 1904
(Texas State Senator)

marriage date: January 31, 1877
Quitman, Texas

James Hamilton Buchanan m. Lavinia Drew
April 18, 1852 -- March 8, 1919
marriage date: November 17, 1889

Samuel Winter Buchanan
March 18, 1854 -- January 10, 1855

William Frank Buchanan m. Ida Scott
March 18, 1854 -- January 23, 1902
marriage date: February 15, 1893

Fitz Walter Buchanan
February 24, 1856 -- January 27, 1879

Laura Elizabeth Buchanan m. Frank H. English
March 6, 1858-- July 24, 1895

Marriage date: October 14, 1879

Mary Augusta Buchanan m. John A. Beard
February 29, 1860-- August 25, 1887

Robert Emmet Buchanan
February 22, 1863--

Lulah Buchanan m. John A. Beard
February 22, 1863

Marriage date: September 14, 1890

fifth generation

children of Senator John Creighton Buchanan
and Sarah Rosalie (Rosa) Patten Buchanan

Emmet Leander Buchanan

January 23, 1878--September 23, 1895

Laura Creighton Buchanan

February 7, 1880--January 28, 1903

Dr. Alfred Patten Buchanan m. Ethel Eudora Reiter

March 23, 1882--March 22, 1952

January 27, 1891--
August 26, 1973

marriage date: May 28, 1911

DALLAS, Texas

Dr. George W. Truett, Baptist minister

Dec. 9, 1927

Dear Aunt Rosa:-

We thought ere this that we would be prepared to give you the needed information you requested but have been delayed in collecting some statistics. I had to write them for I do not have a type writer. If they want the marriage dates of the grand children and the names of the great grand children send me a notice and I shall get them.

It would give us quite a much pleasure to have you visit us. I can just remember seeing you one time and mother says I was very naughty then. Perhaps I can make a better impression if you will come to our home.

The company for which I work does not issue vacations (at least a period of time for one) but the district manager let me use three day in October. I spent the time in Dallas. I was one night with Aunt Lavina. She is very frail.

Mother scarcely ever goes any place unless it is some thing or some place connected with church work. I get so provoked at her at times that I just complain because she will do things that she should not merely because she thinks it a duty. She teaches the ladies bible class and was until I made demands for her to quit hold responsible officers in the missionary society. Her nerves are not strong enough to do so much.

Calvin Buchanan died Aug 18, 1897
 James Hamilton Buchanan died March 8, 1919
 married Lavina J. W. Dyer Nov. 17, 1859
 One child Martha Louise Buchanan born Aug 2, 1894
 Wm Frank Buchanan died Jan. 23, 1902
 married Ida Scott Feb. 15, 1893
 Two children, Olin Norborn Buchanan born Feb. 9, 1894
 Nell Louise born June 28, 1895. Olin
 served in Wood's 1st Cavalry Corps & 14th Regt.
 Emma Elizabeth Buchanan died July 24, 1895
 married Frank H. English Oct. 14, 1879
 4 children Laura Izora, born July 9, 1880
 Helen Riley born Aug. 25, 1882, died March 22, 1884
 John Henry " Jan 28 1875
 Rosa Augusta " Nov 30, 1877, died Feb. 7th. 1925

Fitz Walter died Jan 27, 1879
 Sarah married Feb 14, 1857
 Mary Augusta died Aug 25, 1857
 3 children -
 Mary Elizabeth
 John Henry
 Fitz Walter
 died March 20, 1883
 born Oct 8, 1853
 Mary G. Bewell
 died March 21, 1889
 born Feb. 14, 1854

PS I shall mention that I am
 detail in the world war with
 not your judgment as to taking
 your wife
 Mary G. Bewell
 I urge you to visit us. It will mean
 so much to mother to have you come
 We shall be very glad to hear from you
 soon.

Laura S. Hamilton was born
Oct 18th 1824, married Oct 31, 1848
died June 12th 1864

Bellevue Buchanan was born
January 28th 1823, married Oct 31st
1848, died Aug 28, 1897

James Hamilton Buchanan was born
April 18th 1812, died March 8, 1919

Samuel Wyster and William Finley
were born in 18th of
March 1857, and Samuel died

January 10th 1858, W. F. died Jan 23, 1902

Miss Walter Buchanan was born
February 24th 1856, and died January

29th 1879, Laura Buchanan
was born in 1861, and she married

W. F. on Oct 14, 1879.
Mary Buchanan was born
February 29, 1862, died

Robert E. Smith and
Buchanan were born July 2nd

1863, and R. E. died Nov 10, 1865

IN MEMORY

OF

Hon. John Creighton Buchanan

Born at Greenwood, Louisiana, Feb'y 24th, 1850.

His parents came to Rusk county, Texas, in his infancy, where he was reared; was educated at Gllmer, Texas; commenced practice of law at Quitman, Wood county, Texas, in 1873; elected County Attorney in 1876, and to the State Senate in 1878, in which he served during the Sixteenth, Seventeenth and Eighteenth Legislatures;

Was Chairman Committee of Education in the Seventeenth; was a conscientious, able and progressive legislator; took the lead on all moral and educational questions; was elected District Attorney of his Judicial District in November, 1884; and

Died at his Home in Mineola, Wood Co., Texas,

in December, 1884, in his 35th year.

A truly great and good man has gone, and no one's death has been more generally regretted in our State than that of YOUNG BUCHANAN.

Complement of C. K. Keegan

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LEGISLATIVE PROCEEDINGS.

SENATE.

SIXTY-SIXTH DAY.

SENATE CHAMBER,
AUSTIN, March 31, 1885.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.
Lieutenant-Governor Gibbs in the chair.

Roll called.

Quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Dr. Smoot.

On motion of Senator Kleberg,

The reading of the journals of yesterday was dispensed with.

The President gave notice of signing the following bills:

Senate bill No. 126, "An act prescribing and fixing the venue of suits against foreign corporations, joint stock companies or associations, or acting corporations or associations doing business in this State, and to provide the mode of serving process on such corporations or associations."

Senate bill No. 48, "An act to prevent fishing and hunting on the enclosed lands of another."

Substitute Senate bill No. 10, "An act to amend article 4, title 2 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas."

Senate bill No. 241, "An act making appropriations for deficiencies in the appropriations heretofore made for the payment of expenses in support of the government from March 1, 1883, to February 28, 1885, and for outstanding claims not registered, and for other deficiencies."

Senate bill No. 193, "An act to provide for the correction and revision of the abstracts of located, titled and patented lands in Texas."

Substitute Senate bill No. 201, "An act to prohibit sheriffs and witnesses from charging for mileage or expenses in certain cases."

Senate bill No. 282, "An act to reorganize the thirty-fifth judicial district of the State of Texas, and to fix the times and terms of holding courts therein, and to repeal all laws in conflict with the same."

Senate bill No. 180, "An act to amend section 4 of an act to redistrict the State into judicial districts," etc.

Senate bill No. 278, "An act to confer upon certain county courts whose civil jurisdiction has been heretofore, or may hereafter be diminished, jurisdiction in all matters of eminent domain."

Senate bill No. 188, "An act to amend section 13 of an act to redistrict the State into judicial districts," etc.

Senator Davis submitted the following report:

COMMITTEE ROOM,
AUSTIN, March 30, 1885.

Hon. Barnett Gibbs, President of the Senate, and Hon. L. L. Foster, Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Your committee of free conference, to whom was referred the disagreement of the two houses concerning substitute House bill No. 170, entitled "An act to provide annual pensions," etc., respectfully recommend that the first portion of Senate amendment be so reformed as to strike from first section of engrossed bill all after "indigent volunteers," in lines 3 and 4, to the word "and," in line 11, and insert "who was in the actual military service of Texas at the time of the siege of Bexar, in December, 1835, or at the time of the battle of San Jacinto, in April, 1836, or who was in such actual military service for as much as six weeks between the commencement of the revolution at Gonzales, in the fall of 1835, and the first day of July, 1836."

And that sections 12 and 13 of said amendment be changed to 11 and 12.

And that original section 11 be stricken from the bill.

And that said amendment as reformed be adopted by the two houses.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

DAVIS,

BELL,

WOODS,

Senate Committee.

BLOUNT of San Augustine,

PENDLETON of Bell,

COWLES,

House Committee.

On motion of Senator Davis,

The report was adopted.

Senator Peacock sent up the following report:

COMMITTEE ROOM,
AUSTIN, March 30, 1885.

Hon. Barnett Gibbs, President of the Senate, and Hon. L. L. Foster, Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Your committee of free conference, to whom was referred practices of difference between the two houses upon Senate bill No. 181, have had the same under consideration, and recommend that the House recede from the House amendments to said bill.

Respectfully submitted,

PEACOCK,

HARRISON,

DAVIS,

Senate Committee.

ARMISTEAD,

MCGAUGHEY,

For House Committee.

On motion of Senator Peacock,

The committee report was adopted.

Senator Calhoun sent up the following report:

COMMITTEE ROOM,
AUSTIN, March 30, 1885.

Hon. Barnett Gibbs, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on Treasurer's and Comptroller's Offices, have examined the Treasurer's and Comptroller's offices, and beg leave to submit the following report:

The time allowed your committee after discharging their other duties, would not allow us to familiarize ourselves with the extensive workings of those offices, and no complaint having been heard as to the efficiency of them, your committee made only a limited investigation.

The Comptroller's office is managed in a systematic and efficient manner. The records of that office are voluminous, and for lack of room are too much crowded; but the employees in the several sub-departments seem to be perfectly familiar with all under their control.

The hour having arrived for the Senate to go into executive session,

On motion of Senator Harrison,

The Senate went into executive session on the appointments of the Governor.

IN THE SENATE.

Senator Houston of Bexar moved to publish in the journal the action taken in executive session.

Adopted.

All appointments in Governor's message of to-day, and H. P. Bee, Commissioner of Insurance, Statistics and History, were confirmed.

Senator Kleberg moved that the Senate now hold memorial services, out of respect to the late Hon. John C. Buchanan.

Adopted.

Senator Kleberg sent up the following report and resolutions:

COMMITTEE ROOM,
AUSTIN, March 30, 1885.

Hon. Barnett Gibbs, President of the Senate:

Your committee to whom was referred the resolution of the Senate relating to the death of Hon. John C. Buchanan, beg leave to submit herewith the following resolutions, and recommend their adoption.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

KLEBERG,
CAMP,
KILGORE,
Committee.

Whereas, Since the adjournment of the last session of the Legislature Hon. John C. Buchanan, a member of the Senate, has departed this life; and

Whereas, It is the pleasure of this Senate to pay fitting tribute to the high character of the deceased for his integrity and patriotism in the public service, and his honesty, purity of purpose and fidelity to principle in every relation of life; therefore, be it

Resolved, That it is the sense of the Senate that in the death of the Hon. John C. Buchanan the country has lost a public servant noted for his courage, efficiency and purity of character, and a citizen singularly devoted to all the nobler and higher duties of enlightened citizenship.

Be it further resolved, That a page of the Senate journal be set apart for memorial purposes, on which shall be inscribed the name and rank of the deceased, the places and dates of his birth and death.

Be it further resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate furnish the family of the deceased with a copy of this resolution.

Senator Kilgore addressed himself to the resolution, as follows:

Mr. President:

I take it the Senate will not consider it in appropriate for me to make some observations on the resolution just read in your hearing. I will limit my remarks principally to a recital of the leading incidents in the public career of him whose death we mourn to-day.

John C. Buchanan needs no eulogy on this occasion. Young as he was in years, when he died he had succeeded in impressing upon the history and the institutions of his State many of the characteristics of his own gallant spirit. During the ten years of service which he gave to his country he was ever found contending for the right and condemning the wrong, as his enlightened judgment taught him what the right was and what the wrong.

Mr. Buchanan was born at Greenwood, La., in 1850. His father came to Texas that year and settled at Bellevue, Rock county. It was my fortune to have known him from his early youth. I knew him as a young man struggling against adverse fortune in his effort to fit himself for the duties of life. By his own exertion and the help of a friend and benefactor, he acquired a good education, having attended school at Gil-

mer, Upshur county, several years. He also taught school in Louisiana while studying law, and was admitted to the bar in 1873, and settled in Quitman, in Wood county. In the practice of his profession he soon acquired the confidence of his people by his attention to his business, his ability, his upright-ness and his manly traits of character. Soon after he established himself in the practice, he contracted a most fortunate marriage with a woman in every respect worthy of him. In 1876 he was elected county attorney of Wood, and served in that capacity for about twelve months, and resigned. In 1878 he was nominated at the Terrell convention as a candidate for the Senate for the district comprised of the counties of Kaufman, Hunt, Rockwall, Van Zandt, Rains and Wood, and was elected by a large majority. He was then twenty-eight years old, but in the Senate of the Sixteenth Legislature he early took rank with the older men of that body. When the State was reapportioned in 1882, his county was placed in a district with Smith, Rains, Upshur and Gregg, and in 1882 he was re-elected to the Senate from the new district, with very little opposition. In 1884 he was elected district attorney of the seventh judicial district, composed of the counties of Smith, Van Zandt, Rains, Wood, Upshur and Gregg, without opposition. But he died before he qualified, and never entered upon the duties of his new office.

Mr. Buchanan was a fearless advocate of public free schools, and the people are largely indebted to him for the vast improvement made in the school system of the State during the past five or six years. He was the author of the law to prevent criminals from escaping under the plea of drunkenness, and the law which imposed a heavy penalty for selling the Police Gazette and such like papers, which law was held by the Court of Appeals to be a valid and binding statute, in a decision which was delivered just before he died, or about the time.

Mr. Buchanan at his death was thirty-five years old, and nearly one third of his short life was spent in the public service, and no blemish ever rested on his character. In the private walks of life, as a citizen, as a public official—whether in humble or in exalted position—he was the same true, faithful, courageous man, whose memory this Senate and the country can afford to honor.

Senator Pope said:

Mr. President and Senators:

I desire to speak a few words as a tribute to the memory of our dead friend and former co-laborer in this chamber. I was in the town which was the home of Senator Buchanan, the very day he lay down upon the bed of sickness from which he never arose. He fell prostrated from over exertion in nursing through dangerous illness, the loved little ones of his own household; his dear children that he loved as he did his life, and for whom he seemed willing to die if they could live. This conduct was characteristic of the man, for to him there was no sublimer word than duty, and he was ever ready to respond to its demands. Here, in this Senate Chamber, we who served with him must testify he earned, and justly, too, the name of a faithful legislator. For earnest devotion, for patient care, for integrity of purpose, he had no superior. He was not brilliant, neither was he gifted with what men call eloquence, but whenever he entered into debate he always commanded attention. And in the discussions of measure, he always moved straight forward to the merits of the question, and wasted no time on subordinate issues. He was courteous, manly and dignified upon the floor of the Chamber, and in his personal bearings towards fellow Senators was free, open-hearted, frank and generous. As a legislator he took the liveliest interest in educational matters, and labored zealously in furtherance of all things tending to advance the cause of education. As a legislator he was a model and an exemplar that any one might adopt. May we cherish his memory and profit by his example.

If the spirit ever gazes
From its wanderings back,
If the immortal ever traces
O'er its mortal track;

Then, oh! sometimes, brother, meet us
On our wandering way,
And in hours of sadness greet us
As a brother may.

Green be the spot where sleeps his honored dust.

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Here scattered off, the earliest of the year,
By unseen hands, be showers of violets found;
May song birds love to build and warble here,
And loving footsteps lightly print the ground.

Senator Terrell said:

Mr. President:

There is always sadness in the presence of death. There is a tear for every corpse and a garland for every tomb; whether the victim be plebeian or patrician; whether he dies on land or on the sea, "in the wild storm or under the quiet stars;" whether he falls in the conflict of battle or in the peaceful home, where loving arms are entwined around him, there is always an eye that marks his coming, and weeps when he comes no more.

We are accustomed to the funeral pageant. The hearse is almost as familiar as the carriage, and the sombre tolling of bells frequently remind us of the sunset of life; and yet we tremble when we stand in the midst of death. No hope can soften its asperities; no balm can heal its sting; no hand can lift the veil with which it pall every human heart and blights every human ambition.

The dying man may see in dreams the golden gates of far off paradise; he may catch the fragrant air that perfumes the gardens of the Hesperides; and the melody of angelic charms may float around his couch, but yet he trembles and hesitates as he launches his bark upon "that mysterious sea that never yet has borne, on any wave, the image of a returning sail."

John C. Buchanan is no more.

Whither his spirit wanders, we cannot tell.

Whether it now hovers about this chamber, or reposes in some far off "island of the blest," we cannot know.

We only know that he is numbered among the immortals. That no longer do his "footsteps echo down the corridors of time;" that no longer does he care for the debates or applause of Senates. In the very prime of majestic manhood, in the zenith of a life radiant with promise, when the love of a people was cheering his heart, and those sweet musical echoes which the world calls fame were charming his ear, he has been called away.

It was not my fortune to witness his triumphs upon this floor. I did not see him in those grand contests which are now part of the history of his adopted State. It was in private life that I knew him best. It was upon the hustings that I have seen his strength, and in the court room that I have praised his works and admired his skill.

Thrice honored by the suffrages of his people, he was always faithful to their trusts. A man of cloudless brain, of a pure heart and of unquestioned honor, in him were united the brilliant genius of a younger statesmanship with all the experienced wisdom of the old.

Yet, just at the moment when the sun shone brightest, just when the horizon seemed farthest away, just when he appeared to be the complete master of his own future, just when the bells were ringing his triumph, came disease and death and the grave.

It seems but yesterday his arm was brawny, yet now upon that arm the world has made his meal. It seems but yesterday that his eloquence filled this chamber, yet now he rests in the "tongueless silence of the dreamless dust." But then he sat by the side of a loving wife, and bright-eyed children played upon his knees and shared his prosperity, yet now the widow weeps and the children are fatherless. By his tomb we stand and exclaim, in the words of England's gifted poetess:

"Leaves have their time to fall,
And flowers to wither at the north wind's breath,
And stars to set; but all—
Thou hast all seasons for thine own, O, Death!"

"We know when moons shall wane,
When summer birds from far shall cross the sea,
When autumn's hues shall tinge the golden grain,
But who shall teach us when to watch for thee?"

On motion of Senator Getzendaner,
The resolutions were adopted by a rising vote, and
the remarks were ordered printed in the journals,
a page of which be dedicated for the purpose.

The following message was received from the
Governor, and read in full:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
AUSTIN, March 21, 1885.

Gentlemen of the Legislature:

In bringing your labors to a close, I desire to say that while the measures perfected have not been entirely satisfactory to me, the country, and, I dare say, to either house, still, I believe that they are sufficient to enable those charged with the duty to carry on the government for the next two years. You have been severely criticised, often no doubt, by persons that could not do half so well as you have done. With smaller bodies and more deliberation, no doubt legislation would be more satisfactory.

There is no reason to doubt the integrity and patriotism of each and every member, and that in so far as the two houses have failed to do what might have been for the best is the result of individual independence of judgment among the members.

Let those who come after improve on the present if they can; and should they do so, I feel sure you will rejoice with all good people at their superior wisdom.

I am, very respectfully, your obedient servant,

JOHN IRELAND,
Governor.

Senator Fowler sent up the following privileged
reports:

COMMITTEE ROOM,
AUSTIN, March 31, 1885.

Hon. Barnett Gibbs, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on Enrolled Bills have carefully examined and compared Senate bill No. 257, being "An act to amend an act entitled 'an act to amend article 994 of title 80 of the Revised Statutes,' approved April 4, 1881," and find the same correctly enrolled, and have this day, at 10:50 o'clock a. m., presented the same to the Governor for his approval.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

FOWLER, Chairman.

COMMITTEE ROOM,
AUSTIN, March 31, 1885.

Hon. Barnett Gibbs, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on Enrolled Bill have carefully examined and compared Senate bill No. 253, being "An act to amend article 542 of the Revised Statutes," and find the same correctly enrolled, and have this day, at 10:50 o'clock a. m., presented the same to the Governor for his approval.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

FOWLER, Chairman.

Senator Kilgore offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate be and is hereby directed to prepare, without delay, a list of all laws passed by the Nineteenth Legislature which go into effect at once, and that he give the captions of all such acts, and have the same printed and distributed.

Adopted.

The President gave notice of signing House bill No. 532, substitute House bill No. 567, House joint resolution No. 1, House bill No. 287, House bill No. 590.

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The
TEXAS UNIVERSITY.

No. 1

October, 1895

Emmet Buchanan

IN MEMORIAM.

The joy of our return to school has been turned to sadness by the news of the death of a beloved companion and friend. Cut down in the fulness of hope and promise, Emmet Leander Buchanan has left us and gone to join that "innumerable caravan" which moves on its mysterious journey to the realms of light. At his home in Mineola, Texas, September 23, at 1 a. m., he died of a congestive chill, and left a host of friends to mourn his loss.

Who can name half of his many noble traits of character? His friend can not, in the short space of a newspaper notice; but he can, in silence, live over again the days when he was with him and felt the sympathy of his noble heart.

As a man he was pure in word, thought and deed; a friend in truth "in whom *was* no guile"; as a student, he was quick in learning and possessed of a marvelous memory for that which he had once mastered. He had traversed a wide field of literature, which had broadened him and made him more fit to live the life that all men who better their generation and posterity should live. As a Christian he was God-fearing, God-loving, holding fast to his conception of the divine message and prepared to enter into the rest which those who overcome shall inherit. A sorrowing mother and sister accompany his flight into realms eternal with their prayers which rise like incense before the throne of the Most High. His fellow-students sympathize with them in their deep affliction, for they, too, feel his loss; his friends feel that God's purpose with him on earth is accomplished, and that he has taken him to the mansion on high prepared for him from the foundation of the world; and though we sorrow, we can say with Job: "The Lord giveth and the Lord hath taken away—blessed is the name of the Lord."

R. S. BAKER.

Emmet Buchanan

Resolutions on the Death of Emmet Buchanan.

We the undersigned committee appointed to prepare a memorial and resolutions expressive of the feelings of the young men of Mineola in regard to the death of our beloved friend and associate, Emmet Buchanan, beg leave to submit the following:

Emmet Leander Buchanan was born in Quitman, Wood county, Texas, January 23rd, 1878. His father, Jno. C. Buchanan, a native of Rusk county early in life began the practice of law and achieved rapid and remarkable success. In 1877 he wedded Miss Rosa Patton whom he met at Gilmer College where both were in attendance for several years. They made their home in Quitman, but a few years later moved to Mineola where he entered a partnership with Hon. E. B. Hart and proved himself an invaluable citizen and a leader of men. Recognizing his ability as a lawyer and statesman his people sent him in 1880 to the state senate where he won for himself a name that the most ambitious would be proud to own, and too, as justly merit. Immediately after the expiration of his senatorship his district called upon him to serve them in the capacity of district attorney and just as he was entering into the discharge of the duties of that office (in the early part of December, 1884) he was called to his reward. Mrs. Buchanan for some years held a position in the public schools of Mineola and gave perfect satisfaction to patron and pupil. A few years ago the Sam Houston State Normal tendered her the position of Teacher of Literature and Grammar which she accepted and has held creditably and satisfactorily.

Emmet, from his boyhood days had ever shown an intense desire for the acquisition of knowledge in every form, and this remarkable thirst had made its presence known by the great assiduity with which he always applied himself to his studies and the evident eagerness with which he always entered upon his extensive readings. He attended the public schools of this city until 1892 and having always had the name of being the brightest member of his classes. He entered the Summer Hill Select School at Omen where he remained two years and his achievements while there can best be seen in the fact that in his graduation he won first honors at the close of school and represented his class as its valedictorian. His diploma from Omen entitled him to admission to the State University at Austin. Last year he entered that institution with the intention of completing the courses there of literature and law, but Fate decreed otherwise. On the morning of the day he was to return grim death seized him and thus cut short what would have been the grandest, noblest, most useful life a boy could plan, a man leader.

Now, therefore, it is with sadness inexpressible that we must think of our beloved friend as among those who were and those who might have been; that we no longer can be cheered by his genial presence and his delightful companionship, but yet we are thankful that we have the opportunity of giving utterance to our unfeigned admiration for his many noble qualities of both heart and mind. His chivalry, genius and benevolence remain with us as a halo of light after the sun of his personality has passed beyond his horizon. He will ever be remembered by those who know him as a true and honest young man, a bright and diligent student who was profoundly earnest in purpose and noted for a conscientious discharge of every duty imposed upon him. His entire life was dominated by a desire to be helpful to others,

not only to humanity in general but in the bestowal of direct benefits upon those individuals with whom he most often came in contact. This phase of his character he manifested in the most natural and spontaneous ways, evidencing that he was thus moulded by the hand of his Creator.

It is with profound pleasure that we can conscientiously bear testimony that while our departed friend was a young man of strong convictions, he was intolerant only of whatever was selfish and mean; that he has left no stain upon his escutcheon; that he never betrayed a trust, never false to a cause, and that during his short career he was ever foremost to befriend the weak however impolitic and whatever the consequence. We honor ourselves in revering the memory of this beloved friend who in noble deeds and noble words gave his life's best energies to the upbuilding of a young man's standard of perfection. Guided and sustained by personal honor, encouraged and supported by his love for humanity, he lived in the esteem and affection of all. Now therefore, be it

Resolved, that in the death of Emmet Buchanan we, the young men of Mineola, have lost one of our most honored, respected and distinguished associates and friends.

Resolved, that we tender to his bereaved mother, sister and brother our sincere and heartfelt sympathy in the irreparable loss to them of a noble and loving son and brother;

Resolved, that while we deeply deplore his untimely death, we humbly bow to the will of an infinitely good God, believing our loss to be our brother's gain.

Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the county papers.

ERNEST BRUCE,
OSCAR MARCHMAN,
ED McCANISH,
Committee.

Emmet Buchanan

GONE HOME.

IN MEMORY OF EMMET BUCHANAN.

Gone home, to Heaven,
 To repose in the bosom of God,
 Gone home to Heaven
 To dwell in that blest abode.
 Gone home to Heaven,
 Leaving us here below
 With only this blessed assurance,
 "We shall meet again we know."

In the home they miss him sadly;
 There is an empty chair;
 Tho' they listen to his footsteps,
 Emmet is not there.
 And in the social circle
 How he's missed none can tell,
 There is a vacancy ne'er to be filled
 By one loved half so well.

Just budding into manhood,
 Oh, so young and fair,
 Soon to bear the burdens of life.
 This life's ne'er free from care,
 Just when we needed him most
 He was called away.
 Death—that terrible enemy—
 Seems to envy the young and gay.

Softly were the farewells spoken,
 When they knew that he must go,
 And loving hearts seemed almost broken
 Tears afresh now flow.
 A mother is lonely and sad,
 She misses that boyish face—
 The face she loved so fondly
 With its lines of beauty and grace.

A sister is now left weeping
 For the brother she loved so well,
 And could we read her heart
 Perhaps a sad story 'twould tell.
 There are kind and loving friends
 Who are sorrowing for the boy
 Who seemed to be mother's comfort
 And a fond sister's joy.

When we speak his name among us
 We seem to think "he's gone,"
 But oh what a happy thought,
 He is not there alone.
 He stands with all the loved ones
 Who have gone on before,
 Making the way appear brighter,
 Singing the sweet songs o'er and o'er.

We miss him—without him we're lonely
 We shall think of him always,
 And we feel that forever and aye,
 Our hearts shall sing his praise.
 The home is dark and saddened,
 We have no happiness now;
 But soon our grief will vanish,
 God will wipe each tear-stained brow.
 He will comfort each poor heart,
 To His will we must submissive be.
 And one day we hope to meet our boy
 In that sweet eternity.

—FANNY L. BURNS,
Gainesville, Texas.

Emmet Buchanan No More.

Yesterday afternoon the senior editor of the DEMOCRAT-REPORTER received the following telegram:

"Mineola, Texas, Sept. 23.—Emmet Buchanan is dead. Funeral 10 a. m. to-morrow."

Emmet Buchanan was the oldest child of the late Hon. John C. Buchanan and Rosa Buchanan, nee Miss Patten, of Mineola, and was just entering upon man's estate. His father preceded him to the grave ten years or more, but his mother is still living. He leaves behind him a brother and sister, both younger than he.

Emmet was almost if not altogether a model young man, and the main stay and hope of his mother. He had received a liberal education at Orr's high school at Omen, and it was his intention to have continued his course in the State university this year, preparatory to entering upon the practice of law, which profession he had chosen as his life work.

But how far does poor and helpless humanity often fall short of its calculations and ambitions! Only three short weeks ago today we saw our young relative and friend, in the full vigor and strength of his young manhood, and as full of hope and promise as young men ever are. The thought and inspiration uppermost in his mind then seemed to be to prepare himself for a life of usefulness and honor, in order that his mother and others less able perhaps than himself to meet and overcome the difficulties of life might become the chief beneficiaries of whatever success he might attain. But, alas, the dark winged messenger called for him all too soon, and as all must do, he obeyed the summon. He has risen to a better and higher life.

To the deeply bereaved mother, the brother and sister, and other relatives, over whose homes again hang the dark clouds of sorrow and woe, we would say, despair not, but rather lift up your heads and see in the great beyond a better world than this—a happier country, and an eternal life of peace and happiness.

The darkest cloud has a silver lining.

Resolutions of Respect.

Whereas, on the morning of the 22nd of Sept. 1895, at his home in Mineola, Texas, Mr. Emmett Leander Buchanan was taken from our midst by the divine will of the Almighty God; and

Whereas, Mr. Buchanan was a true and loyal member and former president of this organization; and

Whereas, we, the members of the class of "98" of the University of Texas, are desirous of expressing and making known our heartfelt sympathies for the family of the deceased. Therefore be it

Resolved, that in the death of Mr. Buchanan this organization has lost one of its most talented members and faithful officers.

Resolved, that we share with his family the sore bereavement which has come upon them.

Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be tendered to the Mineola Monitor and to the Texas University for publication and a copy sent to Mrs. Rosa P. Buchanan, the mother of the departed.

TAYLOR MOORE,

DAISY BRYAN,

SAWNIE ROBERTSON,

Committee.

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ALFRED PATTEN BUCHANAN, M. D.—Throughout his medical career of thirty-two years, Dr. Alfred Patten Buchanan has maintained offices in his native city, Mineola, and in addition to his extensive general practice he has done considerable railroad and industrial work in this locality. He was born March 23, 1882, the son of John C., deceased, and Rosa (Patten) Buchanan. John C. Buchanan, a native of Rusk County was a practicing attorney in Mineola, and a prominent figure in the official life of this city. He served as a member of the Texas State Senate, at which time he drafted the bill that created the University of Texas. His untimely death in 1885, at the age of thirty-five years, when he held the office of district attorney, was the occasion of genuine sorrow among the local citizenry, who realized in his sudden demise, the loss of a most able lawyer, a conscientious public official and a civic leader of unquestioned integrity. His wife, a native of Quitman, has already passed her eighty-third birthday, residing with her son, Alfred Patten Buchanan, M. D.

Dr. Alfred Patten Buchanan acquired his early education in the public schools of Mineola and Huntsville, and then entered Southwestern University at Georgetown, Texas, where he was a member of the class of 1898. He next entered Sam Houston Normal School at Huntsville, and later matriculated at Tulane University, where he was graduated in 1906 with a Doctor of Medicine degree. After fulfilling his State requirements he was licensed to practice his profession, and opened his offices in Mineola, where he has practiced to the present day, and where he has attained the reputation for highest proficiency in the practice of medicine, tending successfully to the physical ailments of a large clientele.

Dr. Buchanan is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and is prominently identified with the affairs of the Democratic party. He is now serving his third year as a member of the local school board. He is past president of the Wood County Medical Society, and also holds membership in the State Medical Society. He is a member of Alpha Kappa Kappa medical fraternity, and is well known in the Masonic Order, being affiliated with Lodge No. 502, Free and Accepted Masons, Chapter and Commandery, Knights Templar, Tyler Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite and Hella Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine at Dallas. He is also a golfing enthusiast, and is enrolled in membership in the Mineola Country Club.

He was married, May 28, 1911, to Ethel Reitch, of Mineola, daughter of Charles and Parilee (Ansley) Reitch. Dr. and Mrs. Buchanan are the parents of two children: 1. Rosalie, born October 6, 1916, a graduate with the Bachelor of Arts degree, of the University of Texas, class of 1936, and now engaged as a school teacher at Troup. 2. Ann Patten, born January 27, 1927, now a student in the local schools.
